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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: Shikani

For: TRACHEOSTOMY TUBE WITH ADJUSTABLE  
QUICK RELEASE AND METHOD THEREFOR

Enclosed are:

☒ 10 sheets of drawing.

☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_

☐ A certified copy of an \_\_\_\_\_ application.

☐ An associate power of attorney.

☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney - Original Application

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To the Honorable Commissioner  
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Washington, DC 20231

Re: Our Docket No. 20355-PA

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. New U.S.A. patent application entitled  
"TRACHEOSTOMY TUBE WITH ADJUSTABLE  
QUICK RELEASE AND METHOD THEREFOR",  
including specification, claims and abstract (13 pages) and  
formal drawings (10 sheets), Alan H. Shikani, Inventor.
2. Declaration duly executed.
3. Information Disclosure Statement (with 9 references).
4. Form PTO/SB/42 duly executed.
5. Form PTO-1082 duly executed, in duplicate.
6. Our check No. 6034, in the amount of \$515.00, to cover the  
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Respectfully submitted,



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